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Reading, writing, and speaking: three essential elements to being successful in today's world. "I believe Ashley does a very good job at preparing their students for the future,"commented junior P.J. McGillis. "It's amazing how good our little school is at making everyone ready to face the real world."

Principal Larry Walden commented, "We had people calling from Mount Pleasant to West Branch asking what the secret was; how did our students do so well on the proficiency tests." This proves that Ashley does a very good job at emphasizing the importance of learning the basic skills at the high school level.

"If you were to look at Ashley from the outside in, you'd say, "Wow! How does that place stay open? But if you were to look at Ashley from the inside out, you'd say," Wow! this place is one of Michigan high schools' best kept secrets," stated Mary Gavenda.

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